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SUBJECT: UPCOMING FEB. SESSION OF COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS

1. WE HAVE DEVELOPED FOLLOWING SUGGESTED TEXT OF RESOLUTION WHICH CND MIGHT ADOPT ON QUESTION REFERRED BY ECOSOC CONCERNING POSSIBLE INCB/DND MERGER. WE WOULD APPRECIATE COMMENTS ASAP.

2. TEXT: QUOTE

"THE COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS,

(A) RECALLING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S REQUEST THAT THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL EXAMINE THE PROGRAM ASPECTS OF THE PRESENT SECRETARIATS OF THE INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL BOARD (HEREINAFTER CALLED THE BOARD) AND THE DIVISION OF NARCOTICS DRUGS WITH A VIEW TO IDENTIFYING ANY DUPLICATION AND OVERLAPPING OF ACTIVITIES THAT MIGHT EXIST, AND TO CONSIDER, WITHIN THIS CONTEXT, THE POSSIBILITY OF STREAMLINING OR COMBINING BOTH SECRETARIATS IN THE INTEREST OF ECONOMY AND EXPEDITIOUS ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"(B) HAVING BEEN REQUESTED BY THE COUNCIL TO CONSIDER AND EXPRESS ITS VIEWS ON THIS QUESTION,

"(C) BEARING IN MIND THAT THE BOARD, AN ORGAN ESTABLISHED BY THE 1961 SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS AND COMPOSED OF PERSONS ACTING IN INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, CARRIES OUT, ASSISTED BY ITS SMALL STAFF, SPECIFIC TECHNICAL FUNCTIONS ENUMERATED IN THE DRUG CONTROL TREATIES,

"(D) NOTING THAT THE DIVISION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS, A REGULAR ADMINISTRATIVE SEGMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARIAT, SERVES AS THE SECRETARIAT OF THE COMMISSION, A POLICY-MAKING BODY COMPOSED OF GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES, AND CARRIES OUT OPERATIONAL AND OTHER FUNCTIONS IN THE FIELD OF DRUG CONTROL DIFFERING FROM THOSE OF THE BOARD.

"(E) AWARE THAT THE BOARD'S FUNCTIONS ARE OF SUCH A NATURE THAT THE SINGLE CONVENTION REQUIRES THE COUNCIL, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE BOARD, TO MAKE ALL NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO ENSURE THE FULL TECHNICAL INDEPENDENCE OF THE BOARD IN CARRYING OUT THESE FUNCTIONS,

"(F) RECALLING THAT AS RECENTLY AS JUNE 1973 THE COUNCIL, IN AGREEMENT WITH THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND THE BOARD, RECONFIRMED, WITHOUT OBJECTION, ARRANGEMENTS IN EFFECT FOR MANY YEARS WHICH PROVIDE FOR THE BOARD'S SECRETARIAT TO OPERATE SEPARATELY BUT IN TANDEM WITH THE DIVISION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS.

"(G) BELIEVING THAT THESE ARRANGEMENTS DO NOT PROMOTE DUPLICATION AND OVERLAPPING AND PROVIDE THE MOST EFFICIENT FRAMEWORK FOR BOTH THE BOARD AND THE DIVISION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS EFFECTIVELY TO CARRY OUT THEIR DIFFERING FUNCTIONS,

"(H) TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ALSO RESOLUTION I OF THE 1972 UN CONFERENCE TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS WHICH EXPRESSES THE VIEW THAT THESE ARRANGEMENTS MEET THE WISHES OF STATES PARTIES TO THE SINGLE CONVENTION AND TO EARLIER CONVENTIONS AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RECOMMENDS THAT THEY BE CONTINUED,

"RECOMMENDS TO THE COUNCIL THAT THE ARRANGEMENTS NOW IN FORCE REMAIN IN EFFECT." END QUOTE

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE COMMENTS ON THIS SUGGESTED TEXT ASAP. DALE

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